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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Chien Hua Chen et al.

Application No.: 10/796,700

Filed: March 8, 2004

For: METHOD FOR OPERATING
CHEMICAL MECHANICAL
POLISHING ("CMP") TOOL FOR THE
MANUFACTURE OF
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 2917

Examiner: Everhart, Caridad

Technology Center/Art Unit: 2825

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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02 FC:1202   18.00 DA

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

			RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS			BASIC FEE	385.00	OR	BASIC FEE	770.00
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA					
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	minus 20=	*	X$ 9=		OR	X$18=	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	minus 3 =	*	X43=		OR	X86=	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		☐	+145=		OR	+290=	
			TOTAL		OR	TOTAL	

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

OTHER THAN

SMALL ENTITY OR SMALL ENTITY

AMENDMENT A — 8/19/04

	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total	21	Minus	** 20	= 1		X$ 9=		OR	X$18=	18
Independent	4	Minus	*** 3	= 1		X43=		OR	X86=	86.
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ☐						+145=		OR	+290=	
						TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	~~94~~ 104

AMENDMENT B

	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total	*	Minus	**	=		X$ 9=		OR	X$18=	
Independent	*	Minus	***	=		X43=		OR	X86=	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ☐						+145=		OR	+290=	
						TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

AMENDMENT C

	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total	*	Minus	**	=		X$ 9=		OR	X$18=	
Independent	*	Minus	***	=		X43=		OR	X86=	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ☐						+145=		OR	+290=	
						TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."
  The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.